## **HOUSE BILL 2167**

## By Armstrong

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 71, Chapter 5, relative to medical assistance.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 71-5-102, is amended by adding the following new sentence at the end of subsection (d):

Provided, however, in no event shall the total funds available for the provision of healthcare services by hospitals through the TennCare program, including all supplemental payments to offset unreimbursed TennCare costs and charity care, be reduced below the amounts made available by appropriation or otherwise in the fiscal year that ended on June 30, 2008.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.